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Stations proposed for provision of STD during 1993-94

Gujarat: Kunkavav, Dhanera, Deodar, Kankrej (Sihori), Santalpur, Vav, Vagra, Nandod (Rajpipla), Sagbara (Netrang), Talaja, Gariadhar Jodia, Lalpur, Jamkalyanpur, Bhesan, Mendarda, Kutiyana, Keshod, Maliahatina, Talala, Nalia, Lakhpat, Sami, Sidhpur, Jambughoda, Jhalod, Santrampur, Kotda Sangha Lodhik, Gonda, Jam Kandorai, Jetpur, Maliya Miyani, Bhiloi Khedbrah, Vijaynagar, M.M. Mangh, Bardoli. Mahuva, Nizar, Uchchha, Vyara, Karzan, Naswadi, Sinor, Tilakwad, Chhota Udepur, Pavi-Jetpur, Sankheda, Bansada, Navsari, Umreth Gadhada.

Haryana: Charkhidadri, Nuh, Ferozpur Jhirka, Ratia, Ellanabad, Rania Jakhai, Kalanwali, Uklana, Indri, Barwala, Jatusana, Sohna, Jullana.

Speed Post Service in Punjab

3934. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the cities in Punjab which are connected by speed post service;

(b) whether his facility is proposed to be extended to any other cities, including Abohar, in that State:

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The information is furnished in the Statement.

(b) to (d) No definite proposal in this regard has been taken up for detailed consideration so far.

However, as and when such proposals are received, the same will be considered on merits.

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List of Cities in Punjab where speed post service is available in Punjab

Under National Network.

1. Chandigarh (U.T.)
2. Jalandhar
3. Ludhiana

Under Point to Point Speed Post Service

1. Hoshiarpur to Delhi & Vice-versa.
2. Pathankot to Delhi & vice-versa.
3. Amritsar to Delhi & vice-versa.
4. Patiala to Delhi & vice-versa.
5. Bhatinda to Delhi & vice-versa.
6. Rajpura to Delhi & vice-versa.
7. Kapurthala to Delhi, Ludhiana, Jalandhar Amritsar and vice-versa.

Ambala, Chandigarh, Shimla Meerut, Saharanpur, Muzaffarnagar, Lucknow.

Villages connected with cities by telephone in Northern India

3935. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of villages in Northern India, particularly, in Bihar, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh which have been connected with the cities through telephone lines under the scheme of connecting villages to cities through telephone State-wise and village-wise; and

(b) the number of villages in these States proposed to be connected during 1993-94 and during the Eighth Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The details for Northern India States of Bihar, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh as on 28.2.1993 are as under:

State	Total No. of Villages	No. of Villages having telephone facility.
Bihar	67,566	6,746
Haryana	6,745	3,321
Uttar Pradesh	1,12,561	13,814

(b) Following targets have been proposed for the year 1993-94:

Bihar	3000
Haryana	1800
Uttar Pradesh	12000

All the Panchayat Villages have been planned to be covered with telephone facility progressively by 31st March, 1995, subject to availability of resources. Thereafter, the provision of telephone facility in non-Panchayat Villages will be undertaken to the extent of availability of resources.

Deputation of Indian Express in Postal Committees of other countries

3936. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that representatives from the country are deputed as experts in different Postal Committees in the World;

(b) if so, what are the details of such Postal Committees in which Indian experts are presently serving or have served during the last five years; and

(c) what is the number of such experts that were sent from the State of Madhya Pradesh during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) Representatives from Indian Postal Administration are deputed to participate in the meetings of the Executive Council (EC) and the Consultative Council for Postal Studies (CCPS) which are organs of the Universal Postal Union (UPU), a specialized agency of the United Nations, headquartered at Berne, Switzerland. Besides, repreentaives of our Postal Administration also participate in the meetings of some of the Committees of the Executive Council and Consultative Council for Postal Studies like the Executive Council Committees on Terminal Dues, Management of the Union and Committee 7 of the CCPS dealing with Postal Development and Washington General Action Plan. Representatives from our Postal Administration also participate in the SAARC Technical Committee meeting concerning Postal Services and in the Standing Committee of Technical Cooperation and Assistance of the Asian Pacific Union Executive Council. Services of Indian Postal Experts are also made available to the UPU for working as UPU/UNDP Consultants, mainly under the UPU's Technical Assistance Programmes, in different areas of Postal activities in other countries. Postal Experts from India are also deputed to member countries of the SAARC to act as consultant for specified duration in selected areas of postal activities.

While representatives from Indian Postal Administration have been participating in meetings of various bodies of UPU and some of the Commi-